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## **An Act To Track the Prevalence of Childhood Obesity in Maine**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6455** is enacted to read:

### **§ 6455. Body mass index data**

**1. Collection of data.** A school nurse shall collect body mass index data from students in the school administrative unit in accordance with rules of the Department of Health and Human Services.

**2. Reporting of data.** A school nurse shall report the data collected under subsection 1 to the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

**3. Rules.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall adopt routine technical rules in accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to implement this section. The rules must at a minimum:

A. Establish a schedule and protocol for the collection of data from students; and

B. Provide a method for uniform reporting of the collected data to the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

## **SUMMARY**

This bill would create a protocol for all school nurses to follow in the collection of body mass index data from children and provide a method for uniform reporting to the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention.